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### **VIA HAND-DELIVERY**

The Honorable Jocelyn D. Boyd Chief Clerk/Administrator **Public Service Commission of South Carolina** 101 Executive Center Drive Columbia, South Carolina 29211

RE: Application of Palmetto Wastewater Reclamation LLC d/b/a Alpine Utilities and d/b/a Woodland Utilities for adjustment of rates and charges for, and modification to certain terms and conditions related to, the provision of sewer service. Docket No. 2014-69-S

Dear Mrs. Boyd:

Enclosed for filing are the original and one (1) copy of the Application of Palmetto Wastewater Reclamation LLC in the above-referenced matter. Also enclosed you will find the Applicant's proposed notice of filing.

By copy of this letter, we are providing a copy of this filing to the Executive Director of ORS. I would appreciate your acknowledging receipt of this Application and Certificate by datestamping the extra copy that is enclosed and returning it to me via my courier.

If you have any questions or if you need any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me. With best regards, I am

Sincerely,

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John M.S. Hoefer

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cc: Honorable C. Dukes Scott Jeffrey M. Nelson, Esquire Florence P. Belser, Esquire

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#### **BEFORE THE**

### PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA

### **DOCKET NO. 2014-69-S**

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Application of Palmetto Wastewater Reclamation LLC d/b/a Alpine Utilities and d/b/a Woodland Utilities for adjustment of rates and charges for, and the modification of certain terms and conditions related to, the provision of sewer service.	) ) ) CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE ) ) )

This is to certify that I have caused to be served this day one (1) copy of the **Application** and **Proposed Notice of Filing** by placing same in the care and custody of the United States Postal Service with first class postage affixed thereto and addressed as follows:

The Honorable C. Dukes Scott Jeffrey M. Nelson, Esquire Florence P. Belser, Esquire Office of Regulatory Staff 1401 Main Street, Suite 900 Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Sheila Wright

Columbia, South Carolina This 18<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2014.

#### **BEFORE THE**

### PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA

### **DOCKET NO. 2014-69 -S**

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Application of Palmetto Wastewater	)	
Reclamation LLC d/b/a Alpine	)	
Utilities and d/b/a Woodland Utilities for	)	
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certain terms and conditions related to,	)	
the provision of sewer service.	)	
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Palmetto Wastewater Reclamation LLC, d/b/a Alpine Utilities and also d/b/a Woodland Utilities ("Applicant" or "Company"), would respectfully show unto, and request of, the Commission as follows:

### **BACKGROUND**

- 1. Applicant is a Delaware limited liability company that is authorized to conduct business in the State of South Carolina.
- 2. Applicant is a public utility, as defined by S.C. Code Ann. § 58-5-10(4) (Supp. 2013), providing sewer service to the public for compensation in certain areas of Richland and Lexington counties pursuant to rates (a) set by the Commission in Order No. 2013-3(A) issued January 11, 2013, in Docket No. 2012-94-S for customers in the Alpine portion of Applicant's authorized service territory, and (b) rates set by the Commission in Order No. 2007-473 issued August 8, 2007, in Docket No. 2007-61-S and approved for use by Applicant in the Woodland portion of Applicant's authorized service territory in Order No. 2011-320, issued May 13, 2011,

in Docket No. 2011-65-S.

3. All communications or inquiries regarding this Application should be directed as set forth below:

### a. Applicant's Representatives:

Mr. R. Stanley Jones, P.E. Mr. Benny Wilkinson Palmetto Wastewater Reclamation LLC 1710 Woodcreek Farms Road Elgin, South Carolina 29045

### b. Legal Counsel:

John M. S. Hoefer, Esquire Benjamin P. Mustian, Esquire Willoughby & Hoefer, P.A. Post Office Box 8416 Columbia, South Carolina 29202-8416 (803) 252-3300

### REQUEST FOR RATE RELIEF, CONSOLIDATION OF EXISTING RATE SCHEDULES INTO A SINGLE RATE SCHEDULE, AND MODIFICATIONS TO TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF SERVICE

- 4. Pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. § 58-5-240 (Supp. 2013) and 10 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 103-512.4.A and 103-503 (2012), Applicant requests that the Commission approve the rates, charges, conditions and terms of service set forth in the five (5) page rate schedule attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference as Exhibit "A" for application to all customers of the Company. In regard to the specific content of the proposed rate schedule, Applicant states that it includes, *inter alia*, the following:
  - a. an adjustment in the amount of the monthly sewer service charges for all customers;

- b. the addition of a disconnection notification fee, customer account charge, late payment charge, and service reconnection charges for all customers in the Woodland portion of Applicant's authorized service territory;<sup>1</sup>
- c. the modification of the rate schedule for commercial customers in the Woodland portion of Applicant's authorized service territory to provide for the determination of the monthly service charge and the addition of a connection charge based on the number of single family equivalencies derived from the loading guidelines set out in S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 61-67, Appendix A;<sup>2</sup>
- d. the addition of language for all customers in the Woodland portion of Applicant's authorized service territory relating to billing to multi-dwelling buildings consisting of four or more units to reflect Applicant's discretion to offer tenant billing as permitted under S.C. Code Ann. § 27-33-50, which language is consistent with the provisions of the rate schedule approved in Order No. Order No. 2013-3(A);
- e. the addition of language for all customers in the Woodland portion of Applicant's authorized service territory setting customer billing cycles, toxic and pretreatment effluent guidelines, requirements for satellite systems, construction standards, extension of lines and mains, and the availability of multi-tap capacity, which language is consistent with the provisions of the rate schedule approved in Order No. Order No. 2013-3(A), and
- f. the modification of the equivalency ratings for restaurants derived from R.61-67, Appendix A, Part FF.3, to reduce the number of gallons for cars served from forty (40) to ten (10).

The last two of these charges are set at the amounts specified in 10 SC Code Regs. R. 103-532.2 and R. 103-532.4 (2012), respectively. As to the proposed disconnection notification fee, the Company submits that it is cost justified as the notification by certified mail is required by 10 S.C. Code Regs. 103-535.1 (2012), the Company incurs costs associated with certified mail postage and charges imposed by the U.S. Postal Service, and the time and effort expended by Company personnel in complying with the requirements of the regulation are properly captured by way of a fee imposed upon a customer whose service is to be disconnected. Similarly, a customer account charge in the amount proposed is warranted as it recovers costs of initiating service to persons not yet customers of the utility. Applicant submits further that these two proposed charges are cost justified given that they are within the range for such charges authorized by the Commission for other jurisdictional sewer utilities. Finally, these charges are the same as those currently authorized by the Commission for Applicant's customers in the Alpine portion of its authorized service territory

The currently approved rate schedule for commercial customers in the Woodland portion of Applicant's authorized service territory already contemplates the use of these guidelines for monthly service charges, but sets out a dollar amount as opposed to an equivalency factor rating. See Order No. 2007-473, Order Exhibit No. 1, Attachment A at p. 13. Currently, only one commercial customer exists in the Woodland portion of the Applicant's service territory which is a school. Finally, adoption of the proposed rate schedule would reduce the number of gallons attributable to, and the resulting equivalency rating for, each car served by any customer operating a fast-food restaurant under R.61-67, Appendix A, Subpart FF.3 by 75%. This modification is consistent with that adopted by the Commission for Palmetto Utilities, Inc. in Order No. 2013-660, issued September 17, 2013, in Docket No. 2013-42-S, p. 25, para. c) and Exhibit 1, para. 3, pp.2-3.

### SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

- 5. Applicant proposes a test year of January 1, 2013 to December 31, 2013, and has prepared certain financial statements relating to that time period in support of the Application, which statements are attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference as Exhibit "B," pages 1 through 14. These financial statements include the following:
  - a. Balance Sheet (Schedule A); and
  - b. Current and pro forma income and expense statements (Schedule B);
  - c. Schedule of billed revenue at current and proposed rates (Schedule C);
  - d. Schedule of fixed assets and depreciation (Schedule D), and
  - e. Schedule of present and projected customers (Schedule E).
- 6. Attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference as Exhibit "C" is the most recent approval letter from the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control ("DHEC").
- 7. Attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference as Exhibit "D" is the Company's current customer bill form.
- 8. There is on file with this Commission a certificate of deposit in the amount of Three Hundred Fifty Thousand (\$350,000.00) Dollars given to satisfy the requirements of S.C. Code Ann. § 58-5-720 (Supp. 2013). A map depicting Applicant's current service area and its most recent Annual Report are on file with the Commission.
- 9. Evidence of the Applicant's last period paid Gross Receipts report is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference as Exhibit "E".

10. The financial statements, the other documents submitted herewith, and the references to documents on file with the Commission are offered to comply with Commission Rules 103-512.4.A and 103-823 and to provide information useful to the Commission in considering the reasonableness of the proposed rate schedule.<sup>3</sup>

### NEED AND JUSTIFICATION FOR RATE RELIEF

- 11. Applicant submits that rate relief is justified for the following reasons:
- a. Rate relief was last sought from this Commission for customers in what is now the Woodland portion of Applicant's authorized service territory in February of 2007 based upon a test year ending December 31, 2006. Thus, it has been over seven (7) years since rates were adjusted in this portion of Application's authorized service territory based on expense data that is over eight (8) years old. Since the approved test year for the last rate case pertaining to this portion of Applicant's authorized service territory, expenses associated with this system have increased by approximately \$275,000. Further, and as reflected in Commission Order No. 2011-320, issued May 13, 2011, in Docket No. 2011-65-S approving Applicant's acquisition of same, the system serving the Woodland portion of its authorized service territory was in need of improvements. Applicant has, in fact, made improvements to the Woodland system, including installation of elder valves, liners in collection and transportation mains, replacement of sewer lines, installation of new pumps, installation of new aerators, and capitalized maintenance requiring accelerated line cleaning, video inspection, root cutting, hammer

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> To the extent any provision of Commission regulation requiring additional information is not complied with herein, it is due to Applicant's belief that same does not apply. To the extent any such regulation requirement is deemed to be applicable, Applicant respectfully requests a waiver of same pursuant to Rule 103-803.

tap removal, installation of new inflow protectors, raising and refurbishing manholes, debris and grease removal. at a cost of approximately \$1.32 Million.

b. Rate relief was last sought from this Commission for the Alpine portion of Applicant's authorized service territory in July of 2012 based upon a test year ending December 31, 2011. Thus, it has been more than one and one-half  $(1\frac{1}{2})$  years since rates were adjusted in this portion of Application's authorized service territory based on expense data that is more than two (2) years old. Since the approved test year for the last rate case pertaining to this portion of Applicant's authorized service territory, expenses associated with this system have increased by approximately \$414,000. Further, and as reflected in the Commission's Order No. 2011-320 approving Applicant's acquisition of same, the system serving the Alpine portion of Applicant's authorized service territory was in need of additional, significant upgrades. This Commission recognized Applicant's then current level of investment in that regard in Order No. 2013-3(A). Since then, Applicant has made additional investments in the Alpine system, including replacement of a bar screen, construction of a new sludge press building and two (2) new digesters, repair and replacement of aerator walls, installation of a second clarifier, installation of elder valves, installation of collection and transportation main liners, replacement of sewer lines, installation of new pumps, and capitalized maintenance requiring accelerated line cleaning, video inspection, root cutting, hammer tap removal, installation of new inflow protectors, raising and refurbishing manholes, debris and grease removal, at a cost of approximately \$4.52 Million.

- c. The foregoing increased expenses and investment are consistent with the terms and conditions of the Memorandum of Understanding between Applicant and the Department of Health and Environmental Control executed in connection with Applicant's acquisition of the two systems serving its authorized territory. See Order No. 2013-3(A) at p.16.
- d. Applicant has attempted to make customers aware of the facilities improvements and increased expenditures requiring rate relief in "town hall" meetings sponsored by the Company in its service area, the most recent of which was held on March 6, 2014. Applicant submits that the proposed rate increase is necessary in order that it may provide reasonable and adequate service to its customers, recover its expenses, be permitted an opportunity to earn a reasonable return on its investment, and attract capital for future improvements. Said rates are also necessary in order that the Applicant may comply with standards and regulations set by the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control or other environmental regulatory authorities. Said rates will preserve the financial integrity of the Applicant, promote continued investment in and maintenance of its facilities, and thereby permit Applicant to continue providing reliable and high quality sewer services.

#### CONSOLIDATION OF RATE SCHEDULES

12. If approved by this Commission, the instant application would consolidate all of the Company's customers under a single rate schedule, the provisions of which have heretofore been approved by the Commission for use in the Alpine portion of the Company's authorized service territory. This will result in uniformity of rates and terms and conditions of service for all

customers served by the Company. This will also serve judicial and administrative economy in that it will reduce the number of rate cases required for the separate customer bases now served by Applicant. The Company therefore submits that the approval of the proposed rate schedule is in the public interest.

WHEREFORE, having fully set forth its Application, Applicant prays that the Commission accept the within Application for filing, approve the adjustments to rates and charges and the modifications to the terms and conditions of service herein, grant any waivers from Commission regulations as may be warranted, and grant to Applicant such other and further relief as the Commission may deem just and proper.

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This /8 day of Morco, 2014. Columbia, South Carolina

### PALMETTO WASTEWATER RECLAMATION LLC 1713 WOODCREEK FARMS ROAD ELGIN, SC 29045 (803) 699-2422

### PROPOSED SEWER RATE SCHEDULE

### 1. MONTHLY CHARGE

a. Residential - Monthly charge per single-family house, condominium, villa or apartment unit

\$35.50

b. Mobile Homes

\$26.50

c. Commercial - Monthly charge per single-family equivalent

\$ 35.50

d. The monthly charges listed above are minimum charges and shall apply even if the equivalency rating is less than one (1). If the equivalency rating is greater than one (1), then the monthly charges may be calculated by multiplying the equivalency rating by the monthly charge of \$35.50.

Commercial customers are those not included in the residential and mobile home categories above and include, but are not limited to, hotels, stores, restaurants, offices, industry, etc. Minimum commercial customer equivalency ratings may exceed one (1) in some cases.

The Utility may, for the convenience of the owner, bill a tenant in a multi-unit building, consisting of four or more residential units which is served by a master sewer meter or a single sewer connection. However, in such cases all arrearages must be satisfied before service will be provided to a new tenant or before interrupted service will be restored. Failure of an owner to pay for services rendered to a tenant in these circumstances may result in service interruptions.

### 2. **NONRECURRING CHARGES**

a. Sewer service connection charge per single-family equivalent

\$250.00

b. The nonrecurring charges listed above are minimum charges and apply even if the equivalency rating is less than one (1). If the equivalency rating is greater than one (1), then the proper charge may be obtained by multiplying the equivalency rating by the appropriate fee. These charges apply and are due at the time new service is applied for, or at the time connection to the sewer system is requested.

### 3. NOTIFICATION, ACCOUNT SET-UP AND RECONNECTION CHARGES

- a. Notification Fee: A fee of \$25.00 shall be charged each customer to whom the Utility mails the notice as required by Commission Rule R.103-535.1 prior to service being discontinued. This fee assesses a portion of the clerical and mailing costs of such notices to the customers creating that cost.
- b. Customer Account Charge: A fee of \$20.00 shall be charged as a one-time fee to defray the costs of initiating service.
- c. Reconnection charges: In addition to any other charges that may be due, a reconnection fee of \$250.00 shall be due prior to the Utility reconnecting service which has been disconnected for any reason set forth in Commission Rule R.103-532.4. Where an elder valve has been previously installed, a reconnection charge of thirty-five dollars (\$35.00) shall be due. The amount of the reconnection fee shall be in accordance with R.103-532.4 and shall be changed to conform with said rule as the rule is amended from time to time.

### 4. **BILLING CYCLE**

Recurring charges will be billed monthly. Nonrecurring charges will be billed and collected in advance of service being provided.

### 5. <u>LATE PAYMENT CHARGES</u>

Any balance unpaid within twenty-five (25) days of the billing date shall be assessed a late payment charge of one and one-half (1½%) percent.

#### 6. TOXIC AND PRETREATMENT EFFLUENT GUIDELINES

The Utility will not accept or treat any substance or material that has been defined by the United States Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") or the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control ("DHEC") as a toxic pollutant, hazardous waste, or hazardous substance, including pollutants falling within the provisions of 40 CFR §§ 129.4 and 401.15. Additionally, pollutants or pollutant

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properties subject to 40 CFR §§ 403.5 and 403.6 are to be processed according to the pretreatment standards applicable to such pollutants or pollutant properties, and such standards constitute the Utility's minimum pretreatment standards. Any person or entity introducing any such prohibited or untreated materials into the Company's sewer system may have service interrupted without notice until such discharges cease, and shall be liable to the Utility for all damages and costs, including reasonable attorney's fees, incurred by the Utility as a result thereof.

### 7. REQUIREMENTS AND CHARGES PERTAINING TO SATELLITE SYSTEMS

- a. Where there is connected to the Utility's system a satellite system, as defined in S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 61-9.505.8 or other pertinent law, rule or regulation, the owner or operator of such satellite system shall operate and maintain same in accordance with all applicable laws, rules or regulations.
- b. The owner or operator of a satellite system shall construct, maintain, and operate such satellite system in a manner that the prohibited or untreated materials referred to in Section 6 of this rate schedule (including but not limited to Fats, Oils, Sand or Grease), stormwater, and groundwater are not introduced into the Utility's system.
- c. The owner or operator of a satellite system shall provide Utility with access to such satellite system and the property upon which it is situated in accordance with the requirements of Commission Regulation 103-537.
- d. The owner or operator of a satellite system shall not less than annually inspect such satellite system and make such repairs, replacements, modifications, cleanings, or other undertakings necessary to meet the requirements of this Section 7 of the rate schedule. Such inspection shall be documented by written reports and video recordings of television inspections of lines and a copy of the inspection report received by the owner or operator of a satellite system, including video of the inspection, shall be provided to Utility. Should the owner or operator fail to undertake such inspection, Utility shall have the right to arrange for such inspection and to recover the cost of same, without mark-up, from the owner or operator of the satellite system.
- e. Should Utility determine that the owner or operator of a satellite system has failed to comply with the requirements of this Section 7 of the rate schedule, with the exception of the requirement that a satellite system be cleaned, the Utility may initiate disconnection of the satellite system in accordance with the Commission's regulations, said disconnection to endure until such time as said requirements are met and all charges, costs and expenses to which Utility is entitled are paid. With respect to the cleaning of a satellite system, the owner or operator of a satellite system shall have the option of cleaning same

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within five (5) business days after receiving written notice from Utility that an inspection reveals that a cleaning is required. Should the owner or operator of such a satellite system fail to have the necessary cleaning performed within that time frame, Utility may arrange for cleaning by a qualified contractor and the cost of same, without mark-up, may be billed to the owner or operator of said system.

### 8. <u>CONSTRUCTION STANDARDS</u>

The Utility requires all construction to be performed in accordance with generally accepted engineering standards, at a minimum. The Utility from time to time may require that more stringent construction standards be followed in constructing parts of the system.

### 9. EXTENSION OF UTILITY SERVICE LINES AND MAINS

The Utility shall have no obligation at its expense to extend its utility service lines or mains in order to permit any customer to discharge acceptable wastewater into its sewer system. However, anyone or any entity which is willing to pay all costs associated with extending an appropriately sized and constructed main or utility service line from his/her/its premises to an appropriate connection point on the Utility's sewer system may receive service, subject to paying the appropriate fees and charges set forth in this rate schedule, complying with the guidelines and standards hereof, and, where appropriate, agreeing to pay an acceptable amount for multi-tap capacity.

### 10. CONTRACTS FOR MULTI-TAP CAPACITY

The Utility shall have no obligation to modify or expand its plant, other facilities or mains to treat the sewerage of any person or entity requesting multi-taps (a commitment for five or more taps) unless such person or entity first agrees to pay an acceptable amount to the Utility to defray all or a portion of the Utility's costs to make modifications or expansions thereto.

### 11. SINGLE FAMILY EQUIVALENT

A Single Family Equivalent (SFE) shall be determined by using the wastewater design loading guidelines found in 25 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 61-67 Appendix A (Supp. 2010), as may be amended from time to time, except that commercial customers described in sub-part FF.3 of the foregoing regulation shall have their number of SFE's calculated on the basis of ten (10) gallons per car served. Where the Utility has reason to suspect that a person or entity is exceeding design loadings established by these guidelines, the Utility shall have the right to request and receive water usage records from

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that person or entity and/or the provider of water to such person or entity. Also, the Utility shall have the right to conduct an "on premises" inspection of the customer's premises. If it is determined that actual flows or loadings are greater than the design flows or loadings, then the Utility shall recalculate the customer's equivalency rating based on actual flows or loadings and thereafter bill for its services in accordance with such recalculated loadings.

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Palmetto Wastewater Reclamation, LLC - Alpine and Woodland Utilities Balance Sheet for the Year Ended December 31, 2013

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Line <u>No.</u>		NARUC Account Number and Title (1)		Year-End Balance (2)
1	131	Cash	\$	177,775
2	141	Customer Accounts Receivable		382,306
3	142	Other Accounts Receivable		1,821
4	143	Accumulated Provision for Uncollectible Accounts		(61,057)
5	151	Materials and Supplies Inventory		7,845
6	162	Prepayments		19,101
7		Total Current Assets		527,791
8				0.544.054
9	123	Investment in Ni America Capital Management, LLC		8,544,854
10	4.46	A		100,000
11	145	Accounts Receivable from Ni America Capital Management, LLC		683
12	145	Accounts Receivable from Palmetto Utilities, Inc.		50,352
13	145	Accounts Receivable from Palmetto of Richland County, LLC		151,035
14 15		Total Accounts Receivable from Associated Companies		107,000
16	181	Unamortized Debt Discount and Expense		89,498
17	101	Offathorized Debt Discount and Expense		30,100
18	186.1	Deferred Rate Case Expenses		120,499
19	100.1	Deletied Nate Gase Expenses		
20	186	Other Deferred Debit - Mid-Carolina Capital Account		43,084
21		•		
22	186.3	Regulatory Asset - Capitalized Maintenance		1,183,086
23	186.3	Accumulated Amortization of Regulatory Asset		(394,844)
24		Regulatory Asset - Net		788,242
25		·		
26	101	Utility Plant in Service		6,556,873
27	105	Construction Work in Progress		938,536
28	108	Accumulated Provision for Depreciation		(1,525,786)
29	114	Utility Plant Acquisition Adjustments		1,540,982
30		Utility Plant - Net		7,510,605
31			•	47 775 666
32		Total Assets	<u>\$</u>	17,775,608

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Palmetto Wastewater Reclamation, LLC - Alpine and Woodland Utilities Balance Sheet for the Year Ended December 31, 2013

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Line <u>No.</u>		NARUC Account Number and Title (1)	Year-End <u>Balance</u> (2)
1	231	Accounts Payable	\$ 196,177
2	232	Notes Payable - Current Portion	638,041
3	233	Accts Payable to Assoc Co - Ni America Capital Management, LLC	3,460
4	233	Accts Payable to Assoc Co - Ni America Operating, LLC	891,240
5	233	Accts Payable to Assoc Co - Palmetto Utilities, Inc.	1,711,309
6	233	Accts Payable to Assoc Co - Ni Florida, LLC	807,147
7	233	Accts Payable to Assoc Co - Ni America Texas, LLC	467,000
8	233	Accts Payable to Assoc Co - Palmetto of Richland County, LLC	219,006
9	237	Accrued Interest	10,245
10	241	Accrued Expenses	20,561
11		Total Current & Accrued Liabilities	4,964,186
12			
13	224	Other Long-Term Debt	7,589,938
14			
15		Total Other Long-Term Debt	7,589,938
16			
17	271	Contributions in Aid of Construction (CIAC)	457,045
18	272	Accum Amortization of CIAC	(379,548)
19		Contributions in Aid of Construction (CIAC) - Net	77,497
20			
21	211	Other Paid-in Capital	2,715,153
22		Total Other Paid-in Capital	2,715,153
23			
24	215	Retained Earnings	2,428,834
25		Total Retained Earnings	2,428,834
26		T. (1) (1) (1) (1) (1) (1) (1) (1) (1) (1)	• 4======
27		Total Liabilities & Equity	\$ 17,775,608
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Income Statement

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Palmetto Wastewater Reclamation, LLC - Alpine and Woodland Utilities

Year Ended December 31, 2013

Income Statement

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Palmetto Wastewater Reclamation, LLC - Alpine and Woodland Utilities Income Statement Year Ended December 31, 2013

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0 m 7	Adj. No. 1	To reflect revenue for a full year at current rates (additional 7 days).	
4 ro	524.4	Figt Rate Recidential Devenue (Including Makila Hama)	Ç
ဖ	521.2	Flat Rate Commercial Revenue	2,730 8 520
<b>~</b> α	521.5	Flat Rate Multi-Family Dwelling Revenue	11,635
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₽;	Adj. No. 2	To adjust revenue for the 336 unit Landmark Apartments at PWR - Alpine from \$4 to \$29.	pine from \$4 to \$29.
E 22 E	521.2	Flat Rate Multi-family Revenue	100,800
4			
15	Adj. No. 3	To reflect current Utility Partners (3rd party Operator) expense.	
2 1 2 3	734.1 C	Contract Services - Operations Contract Services - Billing, Collections, and Customer Service	39,200 63,463
2 2 5	Adj. No. 4	To reflect Bad Debt Expense at 1.5% of Revenue at Present Rates.	
5 25 25	770	Bad Debt Expense	17,355
24.5	:		
2 8 2	Adj. No. 5 775.8	To allocate overhead to the latest calendar year level. Miscellaneous General Expense - Overhead Allocation	971,474
78			
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32			

Palmetto Wastewater Reclamation, LLC - Alpine and Woodland Utilities Income Statement Year Ended December 31, 2013

	215	787 778 673	9.705	25,241			(175,690)				17,494			A REO	P F		77,234	
To allocate expenses of PWR LLC to Alpine and Woodland Utilities	Bank Service Charges	Interest Expense on Long-Term Debt	Interest Expense on Interest Rate SWAP	Amortization of Debt Expense		To eliminate overhead costs excluded by ORS in previous filings	Miscellaneous General Expense - Overhead Allocation		To allocate a portion of the Palmetto office rent to Alpine and Woodland Hillifles		Office Rent		<u>To allocate a portion of the Palmetto Bank Service Fees to Alpine and Woodland Utilities.</u>	Bank Fees		To reflect the estimated Rate Case Expenses for this rate filing.	Rate Case Expense Amortization	
Adj. No. 6	761	427	427	428		Adj. No. 7	775.8		Adj. No. 8		741		Adj. No. 9	775.3		Adj. No. 10	992	
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Palmetto Wastewater Reclamation, LLC - Alpine and Woodland Utilities Income Statement Year Ended December 31, 2013

				6/30/2014.						to be completed by			
Adj. No. 11 <u>To reflect depreciation expense related to Plant in Service as of 12-31-2013.</u>	Depreciation Expense	To reflect depreciation expense on CWIP expected to be in service by 6/30/2014,	Depreciation Expense 51,794	To reflect depreciation expense on 2014 capital projects expected to be in service by 6/30/2014.	Depreciation Expense	To reflect amortization expense related to CIAC as of 12-31-2013.	Amortization Expense (40)	To annualize amortization of capitalized maintenance expense as of 12-31-3013	Amortization Expense (48,732)	To reflect amort. expense related to 2014 capitalized maintenance projects expected to be completed by 6.	Amortization Expense	<u>To reflect the estimated Property Tax Expense for this rate filing.</u>	Property Taxes 125,948
Adj. No. 11	403	Adj. No. 12	403	Adj. No. 13	403	Adj. No. 14	407	Adj. No. 15	407	Adj. No. 16	407	Adj. No. 17	408 F
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Palmetto Wastewater Reclamation, LLC - Alpine and Woodland Utilities Income Statement Year Ended December 31, 2013

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### Billed Revenue at Present and Proposed Rates

Line		Avg. Monthly	Avg. Mont	nlv	
No.	<b>Customer Class</b>	SFEs (#)	Rate (\$/Mo	-	Revenue (\$)
	(1)	(2)	(3)		(4)
1	Billed Revenue at Present Rates				
2	billed Revenue at Fresent Rates				
3	PWR - Alpine				
4	Calculated Service Revenue				
5	Residential	983.05	\$ 28.7	7 \$	339,372
6	Residential - Mobile Home	0.84	Ψ 26.7 25.7		259 259
7	Multi-Family	4,153.39	28.7	_	1,432,400
8	Multi-Family (\$4.00)	336.00	4.0	•	16,128
9	Commercial	2,807.64	28.7	-	968,532
10	Total Calculated Service Revenue	8,280.92		_	2,756,692
11		•			_,. 00,002
12	PWR - Woodland				
13	Calculated Service Revenue				
14	Residential	416.54	\$ 24.0	0 \$	119,964
15	Multi-Family	450.00	24.0	- +	129,600
16	Commercial	46.68	24.0	-	13,444
17	Total Calculated Service Revenue	913.22			263,008
18					200,000
19	Total Calculated Service Revenue			\$	3,019,700
20				•	0,010,100
21	Actual Service Revenue			\$	3,019,700
22					-,,-
23	Difference			\$	(0)
24				•	(0)
25					

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NOTE: See pro forma adjustment No. 1, Schedule B, Page 4 of 7, adjusting test year revenue to an annualized amount at the \$29.00/SFE tariff rate.

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### Billed Revenue at Present and Proposed Rates

Line <u>No.</u>	Customer Class	Avg. Monthly SFEs (#)	Adj. <u>SFEs</u>	Monthly Rate (\$/Mo.)	Revenue (\$)
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	<u>ποτοπασ (φ)</u>
1	Revenue at Proposed Rates				
2					
3	Service Revenue				
4	Residential	1,399.59	1,386,00	\$ 35.50	\$ 590,436
5	Residential - Mobile Home	0.84	0.75	26.50	318
6	Multi-family	4,939.39	5,353.50	35.50	2,280,591
7	Commercial	2,854.32	2,367.84	35.50	1,008,700
8	Subtotal	9,194.14	9,108.09	•	3,880,045
9			•		-,,
10	Growth in SFEs				
11	Residential	1.41	1.41	35.50	601
12	Multi-family	•	40.00	35.50	17,040
13	Commercial	-	-	35.50	
14	Total Growth	1.41	41.41	•	17,641
15				-	
16	Total Service Revenue	9,195.55	9,149.50		\$ 3,897,685
17				=	, ,,,,,,,,,,,

Palmetto Wastewater Reclamation, LLC - Alpine and Woodland Utilities Original Cost and Annual Depreciation and Amortization for the Year Ended December 31, 2013

Pro-Forma Depr. Exp.	(11)	37 926	6,991	44,917	9.360	12,207	21,657	134	66 709		804	6.804		,	4 959	1,550	230,138	13 100
-	(10)	49,018	J	61,036	5,465	3,229	8,926	168	70.130		94.121	94,121		1	987	10,626	873,414	386 201
ļ-		37,668 \$	6,991	4,659	9,360	2,577 90	12,027	134	56.820		6,572	6,572		·	4,959	1,550	174,498	13,109
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Annual Depr. Rat	(8)	2.22%	3.33%		2.63%	2.63%		20.00%			5.56%			S	3.13%	2.00%	5.56%	0,00,0
Annual Service Life Depr. Rate	(2)	45	8		38	8 8 8		5			18			,	32	20	18 %	2
cost	(9)	1,708,388	209,939	170,010,	355,910	464,153 3,411	823,474	672	2,742,473		122,380	122,380		57,112	158,427	30,994	4,139,167	000,000
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Pro-for	€	11,638 \$	11.638		000	366,180	366,180		377,818		4,179	4,179				071	8L,'000,'1	
Cost	2	1,696,750 \$	1,906,690		355,910	3,411	457,294	672	2,364,655		118,201	118,201		57,112	158,427	3 138 447	393,659	
Description	(7)	Plant in Service Account 361.2 Collection Sewers - Gravity PVC - 4" to 30" Manholes	1361.2	Account 363.2 Services to Customars			7.505.1	Account 364.2 Flow Measuring Devices	on Plant		ping Equipment	g Plant	posal Plant	Account 353.4 Land and Land rights	Account 355.4 Power Generating Equipment	Account 380.4 Treatment and Disposal Equipment	all Sewer Lines	
Acct No. (1)	E	Plant in Service Account 361.2 Coll PVC - 4" to 30" Manholes	Total Account 361.2	Account 363.2 Ser	Services Elder Valves	Grease Traps	line orac iso.	Account 364.2 Flov	Total Collection Plant	Pumping Plant	Account 371.3 Pumping Equipment	Total Pumping Plant	Treatment and Disposal Plant	Account 353.4 Land and Land rights Account 354.4 Structures and Improve	Account 355.4 Prime	Account 380,4 Treat	Account 382.4 Outfall Sewer Lines	
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Original Cost and Annual Depreciation and Amortization for the Year Ended December 31, 2013

Palmetto Wastewater Reclamation, LLC - Alpine and Woodland Utilities

Line	Acct	٢	Original Cost	Pro-	Pro-forma	Pro-Forma		Annual	L	Accum. Depr.	Pro-Forma
Š	(1) <u>Description</u>	_]	(3)	Additions" (4)	Kettrements (5)	Original cost	(7)	Service Life Depr. Kate (7) (8)	(9)	(10)	(11)
- 0	Plant In Service General Plant										
60 4 A	Account 354.7 Structures and Improvements	<b>"</b>	49,240			49,240	32	3.13%	1,541	29,837	1,541
0 4 C 0	Account 390.7 Office Furniture and Equipment Office Furniture and Equipment Commune and Software	ment	5,042			5,042	15	6.67%	336	778	336
ာတ	Total Account 390.7	1	19,523			19,523		200	2,750	14,456	2,750
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= 5	Account 393.7 Tools, Shop and Garage Equipment Account 394.7 Laboratory Equipment	ilpment	4,309			4,309	5 45	6.25% 6.67%	269 242	302 363	269
<del>ا</del> 5	Account 395.7 Power Operated Equipment		76,179			76,179		8.33%	6,346	38,426	6,346
4	Account 396.7 Communication Equipment		24,856			24,856		10.00%	2,486	3,726	2,486
15	Account 397.7 Miscellaneous Equipment	İ	8,219			8,219		%29	548	1,576	548
16	Total General Plant		185.958		•	185.958			14.183	88.686	14.183
18							ı				
19	Total Plant in Service	4	6,447,454	\$ 1,382,716	ا چو	\$ 7,830,169	_		\$ 271,690	\$ 1,524,164	\$ 337,451
20											
7	Capitalized Maintenance										
22	186.2 5 yr.		1,183,086	1,000,805		2,183,891		14.29%	169,063	394,844	312,078
3 2	35 yr. Total Capitalized Maintenance		1.292,505	1,000,805	1	2,293,310	S N-	7.00%	172,192	396,466	315,207
25			•	•							i
56	Account 277 Contributions in Aid of Construction	truction									
27	Contributions in Aid of Construction	ion	(191,000)		•	(191,000)	) 45	2.22%	(4,240)	(113,503)	(4,240)
58	CIAC - Fully Amortized		(266,045)			(266,045)		1	-	(266,045)	1
59	Total Account 277		(457,045)			(457,04	<u> </u>		(4,240)	(379,548)	(4,240)
30											
31	Total	<b>\$</b>	7,282,914	\$ 2,383,521	1 \$	\$ 9,666,434	اب		\$ 439,642	\$ 1,541,082	\$ 648,418
32							1				
33	* Pro-forma additions reflect \$938,536 of CWIP expected to be in service by 6-30-2014, \$444,180 of 2014 capital expenditures expected to be in service by 6-30-2014	VIP expected	cted to be in service	in service by 6-30-2014, \$	344,180 of 2014	capital expendit	ares expected	to be in servic	se by 6-30-2014		

Pro-forma additions reflect \$938,535 of CWIP expected to be in service by 6-30-2014, \$44 and \$1,000,805 of 2014 capitalized maintenance expected to be completed by 6-30-2014.

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### **Present and Expected Customers**

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Line	<b>D</b> 4			
<u>No.</u>	<u>Date</u>	No. of Customers	<u>SFEs</u>	Adjusted SFEs*
1	Residential			
2	12/31/2012	1374	1,374.00	1,374.00
3	2013 Avg.	1401	1,400.43	1,400.43
4	12/31/2013	1387	1,386.75	1,386.75
5	12/31/2014	1389	1,388.70	1,388.70
6				
7	Multi-family			
8	12/31/2012	121	4,856.24	5,099.74
9	2013 Avg.	121	4,939.39	5,182.89
10	12/31/2013	121	5,110.00	5,353.50
11	12/31/2014	121	5,150.00	5,393.50
12				
13	Commercial and Industrial			
14	12/31/2012	227	2,908.22	2,791.09
15	2013 Avg.	228	2,854.32	2,837.19
16	12/31/2013	229	2,384.97	2,367.84
17	12/31/2014	229	2,384.97	2,367.84
18				
19	Total		,	
20	12/31/2012	1722	9,138.46	9,264.83
21	2013 Avg.	1750	9,194.14	9,420.51
22	12/31/2013	1737	8,881.72	9,108.09
23	12/31/2014	1739	8,923.67	9,150.04
24				

<sup>\*</sup> Change in number of SFEs related to multi-family and commercial customers is based on the recent ERC/SFE study.

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March 5, 2014

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Via e-mail

Mr. Benjamin P. Mustian Willoughby & Hoefer, P.A. PO Box 8416 Columbia, SC 29202-8416

RE: Your letter of March 5, 2014

PSC application: Alpine & Woodland systems

Palmetto Wastewater Reclamation LLC

Dear Mr. Mustian:

In the context of a PSC rate case, this letter affirms that this company has the valid wastewater permits to operate these systems. The Alpine system is authorized to discharge up to an average flow of 2.0 million gallons per day (SC0029483) and the Woodland Hill system is authorized to discharge an average flow of 0.288 million gallons per day (SC0029475).

I can be reached at 803-898-4157 or at debessjp@dhec.sc.gov.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey P. deBessonet, P.E., Director Water Facilities Permitting Division

Cc: Willie Morgan, ORS

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MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO:

PWR - ALPINE 1713 WOODCREEK FARMS RD. SUITE A ELGIN, SC 29045 (803) 699-2422

ACCOUNT NUMBER

1110 5122 6122 (503) 6	
BILLING DATE	02/05/2014
DUE DATE	02/28/2014
TOTAL AMOUNT DUE	29.00

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### TO INSURE PROPER CREDIT TO YOUR ACCOUNT, PLEASE RETURN TOP PORTION WITH YOUR PAYMENT



THIS BILL DOES NOT EXTEND TIME FOR PAYMENT OF ANY PREVIOUS BALANCE.

PLEASE KEEP THE BOTTOM PORTION FOR YOUR RECORDS.
RETURN TOP PORTION WITH PAYMENT.

**PWR - ALPINE - CUSTOMER RECORD** 

COMMENTS Please see reverse side for important information regarding payment methods

PALMETTO WASTEWATER RECLAMATION LLC HAS CONVERTED TO A NEW BILLING SYSTEM. THIS NEW BILLING SYSTEM WILL

ASSIST US IN SERVING OUR CUSTOMERS BETTER. YOU WILL NOTICE THAT YOUR BILL INDICATES A NEW ACCOUNT NUMBER

HAS BEEN ASSIGNED, PLEASE MAKE NOTE OF THAT WHEN MAKING YOUR PAYMENT. TO STREAMLINE PAYING YOUR BILL,

YOU MAY GO ONLINE TO WWW.NIAMERICA.COM AND VIEW THE DIFFERENT PAYMENT METHODS. DUE TO OUR NEW BILLING

SYSTEM, IF YOU HAVE PREVIOUSLY PAID YOUR BILL ONLINE, YOU WILL NEED TO RE-REGISTER YOUR ACCOUNT WITH OUR

NEW ONLINE BILL PAY SYSTEM. WE NOW ACCEPT VISA, MASTERCARD, DISCOVER, E-CHECK

SEWER SERVICE ADDRESS	02/05/2014		BER
DESCRIPTION OF SEWER SERVICES ALPINE RESIDENTIAL	SERVICE FROM	SERVICE TO	AMOUNT
·	02/01/2014	02/28/2014	29.00
Online payments can be made at www.nlamerica.com. Choose the Pay		PREVIOUS	29.00
Online/Online Payment option, select your utility provider PWR - Alpine and prompts.	follow the	PAYMENT	29.00
There is no additional charge or administration fee for online payments and	we accent	PAST DUE AMOUNT	.00
MasterCard, Visa, Discover and Electronic checks.		CURRENT	29.00
Office Hours: 8:30 A.M. To 4:30 P.M.		**************************************	29.00

All rate schedules are approved by the S.C. Public Service Commission and are available for viewing at our office. For emergencies call 803-699-2422 (24 hours a day).

All past due accounts will be charged a 1.5% Late Fee All past due amounts are subject to a \$25.00 Certifled Notification Fee

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MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO:

PWR - WOODLAND 1713 WOODCREEK FARMS RD, SUITE A ELGIN, SC 29045 (803) 699-2422

ACCOUNT NUMBER

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	BILLING DATE	02/05/2014
ĺ	DUE DATE	02/28/2014
	TOTAL	24.00

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YOUR ACCOUNT WILL BE DRAFTED ON 02/27/2014

THIS BILL CALL (803) 699-2422



### TO INSURE PROPER CREDIT TO YOUR ACCOUNT, PLEASE RETURN TOP PORTION WITH YOUR PAYMENT



PWR - WOODLAND 1713 WOODCREEK FARMS RD. SUITE A ELGIN, SC 29045 (803) 699-2422 THIS BILL DOES NOT EXTEND TIME FOR PAYMENT OF ANY PREVIOUS BALANCE.

PLEASE KEEP THE BOTTOM PORTION FOR YOUR RECORDS.
RETURN TOP PORTION WITH PAYMENT.

PWR - WOODLAND - CUSTOMER RECORD

COMMENTS Please see reverse side for important information regarding payment methods

PALMETTO WASTEWATER RECLAMATION LLC HAS CONVERTED TO A NEW BILLING SYSTEM. THIS NEW BILLING SYSTEM WILL

ASSIST US IN SERVING OUR CUSTOMERS BETTER. YOU WILL NOTICE THAT YOUR BILL INDICATES A NEW ACCOUNT NUMBER

HAS BEEN ASSIGNED, PLEASE MAKE NOTE OF THAT WHEN MAKING YOUR PAYMENT. TO STREAMLINE PAYING YOUR BILL,

YOU MAY GO ONLINE TO WWW.NIAMERICA.COM AND VIEW THE DIFFERENT PAYMENT METHODS. DUE TO OUR NEW BILLING

SYSTEM, IF YOU HAVE PREVIOUSLY PAID YOUR BILL ONLINE, YOU WILL NEED TO RE-REGISTER YOUR ACCOUNT WITH OUR

NEW ONLINE BILL PAY SYSTEM. WE NOW ACCEPT VISA, MASTERCARD, DISCOVER, E-CHECK

SEWER SERVICE ADDRESS	BILLING DAT 02/05/2014	E ACCOUNT NUMB	ER
DESCRIPTION OF SEWER SERVICES	SERVICE FROM	SERVICE TO	AMOUNT
WOODLAND RESIDENTIAL	02/01/2014	02/28/2014	24.00
Online payments can be made at www.nlamerica.com. Choose the Pay Online/Online Payment option, select your utility provider PWR - Woodland at the prompts.  There is no additional charge or administration fee for online payments and wasterCard, Visa, Discover and Electronic checks.	l l	PREVIOUS PAYMENT PAST DUE AMOUNT CURRENT	24.00 24.00 .00 .24.00
Office Hours: 8:30 A.M. To 4:30 P.M. All rate schedules are approved by the S.C. Public Services		TOTAL AMOUNT!	24.00

All rate schedules are approved by the S.C. Public Service Commission and are available for viewing at our office. For emergencies call 803-699-2422 (24 hours a day),

All past due accounts will be charged a 1.5% Late Fee All past due amounts are subject to a \$25.00 Certified Notification Fee YOUR ACCOUNT WILL BE DRAFTED ON 02/27/2014

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#### State of South Carolina

#### Department of Revenue

300A Outlet Pointe Blvd., P. O. Box 125, Columbia, South Carolina 29214

### **PSC UTILITY ASSESSMENT**

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PALMETTO WASTEWATER RECLAMATION, LLC

1713 WOODCREEK FARMS RD

SUITE A

**ELGIN, SC 29045** 

ATTEN: DONNA TUTTLE

FILE#

80691193-6

FEI#

PERIOD

06/13

**ISSUE DATE** AMOUNT DUE

06/07/13 \$12,987.73

DUE DATE

07/15/13

Gross Receipts:

\$1,958,695.00

Administration Fee:

\$2,984.53

Electric:

\$0.00

Regulated Gas:

\$0.00

Municipality Gas:

\$0.00

Telecommunications:

\$0.00

Railroads:

\$0.00

Water/Waste:

\$10,003.20

Transportation:

\$0.00

Telecommunications LEC Regulatory Staff Fee OR

\$0.00 \$0.00

TOTAL DUE:

\$12,987.73

G/L ACCT. CODE:

14-2450

Authorized Signature / Title

Phone Number

Date

Please attach your remittance to the enclosed copy of this notice and send it to:

SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE Miscellaneous Tax Section (Address Above)

PHONE NUMBER: (803) 896-1970

### Application of Palmetto Wastewater Reclamation LLC

Docket No. 2014-69-S

Exhibit E 0873 BANK OF AME PALMETTO WASTEWATER RECLA TION, LLC Page 2 of 2 (803) 699-2422 1710 WOODCREEK FAHMS HOAD ELGIN, SOUTH CAROLINA 28046 7/15/2013 South Carolina Department of Revenue \*\*12,987,73 DOLLARS **VOID AFTER 90 DAYS** South Carolina Department of Revenue License Tax Office Audit PO Box 125 Columbia, SC 29214 AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE PSC Utility Assessment for 07/01/13 - 06/30/14 PALMETTO WATERWASTE RECLAMATION, LLC 0873 South Carolina Department of Revenue 7/15/2013 Date Type Reference Original Amt. Balance Due Discount Payment 7/17/2013 Bill June 2013 12,987.73 12,987.73 12,987.73 Check Amount 12,987.73 PWR Checking 9631 PSC Utility Assessment for 07/01/13 - 06/30/14 12,987.73 PALMETTO WATERWASTE RECLAMATION, LLC 0873 South Carolina Department of Revenue 7/15/2013 Date Type Reference Original Amt. Balance Due Discount **Payment** 7/17/2013 BIII June 2013 12.987.73 12.987.73 12,987.73 Check Amount 12,987.73

### PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA

### DOCKETING DEPARTMENT

### NOTICE OF FILING AND HEARING

### DOCKET NO. 2014-69-S

APPLICATION OF PALMETTO WASTEWATER RECLAMATION LLC d/b/a ALPINE UTILITIES AND d/b/a WOODLAND UTILITIES FOR ADJUSTMENT OF RATES AND CHARGES FOR THE PROVISION OF SEWER SERVICE. CONSOLIDATION OF EXISTING RATE SCHEDULES INTO A SINGLE RATE SCHEDULE, AND MODIFICATIONS TO CERTAIN TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE PROVISION OF ITS SERVICE

Palmetto Wastewater Reclamation LLC d/b/a Alpine Utilities and d/b/a Woodland Utilities (the Company) has filed an Application with the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) for an adjustment of the Company's rates and charges for the provision of sewer service, modifications to certain terms and conditions of the provision of its service to customers in the Woodland portion of the Company's service area. The Company is a public utility, as defined by S.C. Code Ann. § Carolina pursuant to rates approved by the Commission in Docket No. 2012-94-S (Alpine) and Docket Nos. 2007-61-S and 2011-65-S (Woodland).

Pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. § 58-5-240, the Company requests that the Commission approve an increase in its monthly sewer service rates for all customers and the adoption of certain other nonrecurring charges for current customers in the Woodland portion of its service area. In support of its request for this increase, the Company asserts, among other things, that the proposed sewer rate increases are necessary in order that it may provide reasonable and adequate service to its customers, allow the Company to recover its expenses of operation, comply with environmental regulations, and earn a reasonable return on its investment. The Company also asserts that the proposed sewer rate increase is necessary to preserve its financial integrity and to permit continued investment in and maintenance of its facilities so as to provide reliable and high quality services. Pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. Reg. 103-512.4.A, the Company also seeks modifications to certain terms and conditions of its rate schedule to be applied in the Woodland portion of its service territory, including the adoption of language pertaining to circumstances under which the Company will bill tenants for service, the inclusion of fees and charges for opening customer accounts, late payments, disconnection notifications and service reconnections, and the reflection of commercial rates based upon single family equivalency ratings. According to the Company, the result of these modifications will be uniform rates and terms and conditions of service for all customers served by the Company's Alpine and Woodland wastewater systems.

# THE PROPOSED CHANGES IN THE RATES AND CHARGES ARE SET FORTH BELOW (The complete rate schedule is available from the Company at the address below and on the Commission's website at <a href="www.psc.sc.gov">www.psc.sc.gov</a>)

Alpine Residential Monthly Charges	33301501)	
Residential monthly charge Per single-family house, condominium, villa, or apartment unit	<b>Current</b> \$29.00	Proposed \$35.50
Mobile Home	\$21.76	\$26.50

Woodland Residential Monthly Charges Residential monthly charge	Current	Proposed
Per single-family house, condominium, villa, or apartment unit	\$24.00	\$35.50
Mobile Home	N/A	\$26.50

Alpine Commercial Customers Monthly Charges	Current	Proposed
Per Single Family Equivalent* Minimum**	\$29.00	\$36.50

Woodland Commercial Customer Monthly Charges	Current***	Proposed
Per Single Family Equivalent* Minimum**	\$1.70 per person	\$36.50

<sup>\*</sup>Charges for commercial establishments served by the Company are based upon single family equivalency (SFE) ratings set using wastewater treatment plant loading factors established in S.C. Code Regs. 61-67, Appendix A, with of 0.025 per car served.

A copy of the Company's Application can be obtained from the Commission at the following address: Public Service Commission of South Carolina, Docketing Department, P. O. Drawer 11649, Columbia, South Carolina 29211. Additionally, the Company's Application is available on the Commission's website at <a href="https://www.psc.sc.gov">www.psc.sc.gov</a>.

In order for testimony and evidence to be received from all interested parties, a public hearing held in the Commission's Hearing Room, Synergy Business Park, 101 Executive Center Dr., Col South Carolina on	will be umbia
Any person who wishes to participate in this matter, as a party of record with the right of examination should file a Petition to Intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules of Procedure, on or before, and indicate the amount of time required for his present Please include an email address for receipt of future Commission correspondence in the Petit Intervene. Please refer to Docket No. 2014-69-S.	ractice

<sup>\*\*</sup>All commercial customers will pay based on a minimum SFE rating of one (1), which is \$36.50 per month. Some commercial customers will have minimum SFE ratings greater than one (1).

<sup>\*\*\*</sup>There is only one commercial customer (a school) currently served by the Company's Woodland system.

Any person who wishes to testify and present evidence at the hearing should notify the Docketing Department, in writing, at the address below, the Office of Regulatory Staff, 1401 Main Street, Suite 900, Columbia, South Carolina 29201, and John M. S. Hoefer, Esquire, Willoughby & Hoefer, P.A., Post of time required for the presentation. <i>Please refer to Docket No. 2014-69-S</i> .
Any person who wishes to request a hearing in his or her county of residence should notify on or before, in writing, the Docketing Department at the address below, the Office of Regulatory Staff, 1401 Main Street, Suite 900, Columbia, South Carolina 29201, and John M. S. Hoefer, Esquire, Willoughby & Hoefer, P. A., Post Office Box 8416, Columbia, South Carolina 29202-8416. Please refer to Docket No. 2014-69-S.
Any person who wishes to be notified of any change in the hearing date, but does not wish to present testimony or be a party of record, may do so by notifying the Docketing Department in writing at the address below on or before Please refer to Docket No. 2012-94-S.
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE: Any person who wishes to have his or her comments considered as part of the official record of this proceeding MUST present such comments, in person, to the Commission during the hearing.
Persons seeking information about the Commission's Procedures should contact the Commission in Columbia at 803-896-5100.

Public Service Commission of South Carolina Attn: Docketing Department Post Office Drawer 11649 Columbia, SC 29211

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